

# 91st Illinois General Assembly Senate Transcript

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION  
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

8th Legislative Day

December 20, 1999

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

First Special Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks, and will our guests in the gallery please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Senator David Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

(Prayer by Senator Dave Sullivan)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

And Senator Sieben -- Senator Burzynski, would you please give us the Pledge of Allegiance?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Burzynski)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Reading of the Journal. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Journal of Friday, December 17, 1999.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

...President, I move that the Journal just read by the

Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Myers moves to approve the Journal just read. There being no objection, it's so ordered. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Madam President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Saturday, December 18th, and Sunday, December 19th, in the year 1999, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Myers moves to postpone the reading and approval of

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the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, it's so ordered. Channel 20 requests permission to videotape, as well as WAND-TV and WLS-TV and WBBM-TV. Any objection? Hearing none, permission is granted. Randy Squires, a stringer for the Associated Press, requests permission for still photography in the Senate. Any objection? Hearing none, permission is granted. First Special Session shall stand in recess until the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS)

(SENATE CONVENES SECOND SPECIAL SESSION)

(See Second Special Session Transcript)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

First Special Session will come to order. Senator Dudycz, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. To announce that there will be a Rules Committee meeting in five minutes in the President's Anteroom.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Rules Committee in five minutes in the Anteroom {sic} -- Anteroom. Maybe you didn't hear the announcement, but there will be a Rules Committee meeting in five minutes in the Anteroom.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measure has been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - House Bill 33.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

For the Members' knowledge, Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been distributed. House Bills 2nd Reading. Senator Myers. Will you read the bill, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 33.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Madam President. I rise to announce a Republican Caucus immediately in Senator Philip's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Your request is in order. The Senate will stand in recess until the call of the Chair. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, Madam -- Madam President, can you -- can you tell us how long you're going to be in caucus? It's -- I guess it's my understanding you were -- moved this bill to 3rd. I -- I assume you're going to do this action tomorrow, and therefore would not

be any -- would not necessitate our Members having to stick around.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

To my best knowledge, we'll be about forty-five minutes. You're subject to the call of the Chair. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Are we going to be doing any more business tonight, other than waiting for you to come back from dinner, or what?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Well, the -- the Senate will stand at recess till the call of the Chair, Senator Demuzio.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Like to ask the Members to return to the Floor. WGN-TV, WCIA Channel 3, and WMAQ-TV have all asked to -- permission to tape. Permission granted. The First Special Session will come to order. Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not,

Senator Obama moves that the First Session will stand adjourned  
until 11 a.m., Tuesday, December 21st.